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X Marks Spot Where Stone  
Fell on Senator Lippitt.

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## LA MOVES AN BODY OF TROOPS ON SALTILLO

Commander in Chief Cannot  
Wait for Railroad Repairs  
and will Make Three Day  
Desert March

## LAZES REPORTED TO HAVE WON BIG VICTORY

Port from all Sections Indi-  
cate Federals Beating Has-  
Retreat Before Advance  
Victorious Rebels

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Mexico, May 6.—A detachment  
of Villa's troops stationed here  
today for Monterey, which  
is the base of operations in the  
revolutionary campaigns against  
Luis Potosi and Saltillo. The  
city which left this morning will  
be the cars at Hidalgo, where  
must march overland to Mon-  
terey. The railroad has been cut  
for some time between Hidalgo  
and Potosi, but although repairs are  
made, Villa will not wait them.  
On Hidalgo to Monterey is a  
three day's march through des-  
ert and General Villa's orders  
state his confidence in the condi-  
tion of his men and horses.  
General Potosi has received here  
that Pablo Gonzales, the com-  
mander of Monterey, with a strong  
army approaching Saltillo and is  
expected to capture the federal out-  
post there at any time.

## LAZES DEFEATS STRONG FORCE NEAR SALTILLO

Paso, Tex., May 6.—General  
Gonzales, the constitutionalist  
commander who captured Monterey,  
and defeated a strong force of  
Villa's troops here today. A  
message received here today  
from Saltillo, according to  
Munoz, constitutionalist com-  
mander. The message was routed  
Monterey via Matamoros and  
San Antonio to El Paso.  
General Gonzales succeeded in cap-  
turing the federal outposts and  
ordered them after the position they  
taken had been outflanked. Gen-  
eral Gonzales captured six federal  
guns and a large quantity of  
ammunition. The message was  
received here that Los  
Rios, opposite Del Rio, Texas, had  
been occupied today by constitutional-  
ist troops.  
General Murguía, commander of  
constitutionalist garrison at Pied-  
ra, has sent strong scouting  
troops into the field near Monclova  
to scatter bands of the federal  
army which evacuated Piedra  
and are reported to have looted  
there.

## LAZES SAY REBELS CONSPIRACY THEIR FLOUR

Conspirators, Ariz., May 6.—Fifteen  
bushels of flour, belonging to  
monarchists at Colonia Morelos,  
miles southwest of here, have  
been confiscated by the constitution-  
alist army, according to a story told  
by Lallywhite and J. O. Huber,  
returned here today. Lallywhite  
Huber, who left here Friday to  
join the army, said that the  
troops were informed by J.  
Alfred, commissary of the town,  
that by their precipitate departure  
colonists had forfeited all prop-  
erty to the state.  
Later, they said, a Mexican had  
traced them seeking to purchase  
flour in their possession. They re-  
solved to accept constitutionalist  
offer, and declare they were then

arrested by order of Ramirez, but  
later were released and returned  
here.  
On their return a telegram of  
President was sent to President Campos  
of Fronteras, protesting against con-  
fiscation of the flour. Campos re-  
plied he had sent an order to Ram-  
irez to release the flour.

## FEDERAL GUNBOAT, MORELOS, RUNS HARD AROUND

Douglas, Ariz., May 6.—A telegram  
from General Obregon, constitutional-  
ist commander at Guaymas, re-  
ceived today by Jorge U. Orozco, de-  
clared that while maneuvering near  
Guaymas Sunday, the federal gun-  
boat Morelos ran aground on an un-  
charted island near Ures. The  
vessel, General Obregon said, was  
but 500 meters from the constitu-  
tionalist shore positions and about 600  
meters from the federal entrench-  
ments. General Obregon himself  
discovered the predicament of the  
vessel while reconnoitering and im-  
mediately ordered rifle and artillery  
fire directed at the vessel. The firing  
continued Monday night and  
Tuesday morning, when the guns on  
board the vessel, which had been  
brought to bear on the constitu-  
tionalist shore positions were silenced.  
General Obregon said he hoped to an-  
nounce the taking of the vessel soon  
although any boarding party ap-  
proaching in boats would be under  
the fire of the federal trenches.

## REBELS TAKE HUGE SUPPLY OF AMMUNITION

Nogales, Ariz., May 6.—Acaponeta,  
a town on the line between the state  
of Sonora and the territory of Tepic  
was captured yesterday by constitu-  
tionalists, according to messages re-  
ceived here today from General Ob-  
regon. The constitutionalists, the  
message said, captured 1,600 prison-  
ers, 1,000,000 rounds of rifle car-  
tridges, 2,000 rifles, five machine  
guns and three cannons.  
The prisoners were taken by the  
advance guard under General Blan-  
co and Bucina.

It also is reported that the island  
of Pedra, off Mazatlan, has been cap-  
tured by constitutionalists. Mazatlan  
is reported surrounded by constitu-  
tionalist forces.

## REBELS GIVE STRANDED GUN BOAT HOT TIME

Washington, May 6.—Admiral How-  
ard reports from Mazatlan that the  
constitutionalists entrenched on  
Piedra Island fired continuously all  
day yesterday with rifles and field  
guns on the Mexican federal gunboat  
Morelos, lying in the harbor and that  
the fire was returned by federal  
batteries on shore.  
Admiral Howard adds that through  
the courtesy of the governor of Son-  
ora the steamer San Jose was per-  
mitted to clear from Mazatlan yes-  
terday for San Francisco. She car-  
ried 23 refugees from Mazatlan and  
44 from Salina Cruz. He said the  
cruiser Albany and the destroyers  
Proble and Truxtun have reached  
Mazatlan. He reports that T. Wells,  
regarding who inquiries have been  
made, is safe.

## NO SPECIAL BALLOTS IOWA FOR HOMELESS POLITICAL ORPHANS

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Des Moines, Ia., May 6.—Attorney  
General George Cosson today decided  
not to appeal to the supreme court  
from the decision of District Judge  
McHenry yesterday in which the lat-  
ter ordered W. S. Allen, secretary of  
state, and H. R. Frase, county audi-  
tor, to prepare special non-partisan  
judicial ballots for those electors  
not aligned with any of the recog-  
nized political parties.  
The decision of the attorney gen-  
eral is declared to mean that Judge  
McHenry's order of the Polk county  
mandamus case will be conformed  
with throughout the state.

## NEW SCHEDULE OF RATES ON COAL TO DENVER ANNOUNCED

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Denver, May 6.—Local traffic of-  
ficials of the Union Pacific, Colorado  
and Southern and Burlington rail-  
roads have completed a new schedule  
of rates on coal from northern Colo-  
rado coal fields to Denver, according  
to an announcement made today.  
It is said the new rates show a reduc-  
tion of approximately 25 per cent. These  
schedules have been forwarded to  
the general traffic officials for ap-  
proval.  
The case in which the roads were  
ordered to reduce coal rates is now  
before the state supreme court.

## RHODE ISLAND SENATOR IS ROASTED BY STONE

Small Calibre Statesman from  
Tiny State Draws Big Guns  
of Foreign Relations Chair-  
man.

## LIPPITT DEFENDS "INNOCENT MEXICANS"

Missouri Senator Aptly De-  
scribes Lippitt Resolution  
as Silly and Senate Lays it  
on Table.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Washington, May 6.—Vigorous  
criticism of the administration's Mex-  
ican policy and a heated debate over  
the Vera Cruz situation marked the  
effort of Senator Lippitt of Rhode  
Island today to secure action in the  
senate on his resolution asking Pres-  
ident Wilson if he is supporting  
Pancho Villa for next ruler of Mex-  
ico.

Chairman Stone of the foreign re-  
lations committee defended the ad-  
ministration.

The resolution was laid on the table  
without a record vote.

"The suspicion that our government  
is aiding, abetting or even condoning  
the villainous Villa is so sickening  
that I have long refused to believe it,"  
said Senator Lippitt, "but the reports  
that the administration is supporting  
Villa have continued so long that I  
have introduced my resolution."

After quoting President Wilson's  
declaration in his message to congress  
about observing strict neutrality be-  
tween the factions in Mexico Senator  
Lippitt said the government's actions  
were much in contradiction to those  
expressions.

Senator Lippitt spoke of the Vera  
Cruz incident and the loss of Mexican  
lives as showing the length to which  
the administration had gone to keep  
munitions of war from getting into  
Huerta's hands.

Senator Stone took Senator Lippitt  
to task and the Rhode Island sena-  
tor responded that Senator Stone was  
placing his words in a false light.

"Oh, I know what the senator  
meant," continued Senator Stone.  
"He meant to charge the president  
with the death of 500 innocent Mex-  
icans—think of it—innocent Mexicans  
at Vera Cruz."

"The Rhode Island senator seems to  
regard those Mexican snipers who  
were firing on our boys in violation  
of all the rules of warfare as 'in-  
nocent Mexicans.' Why, all the country  
approves of what the president did at  
Vera Cruz with the possible exception  
of the senator from Rhode Island."

"I neither condone Villa's acts nor  
do I agree with the Rhode Island  
senator, who seems to approve of the  
acts of Huerta, a man guilty of trans-  
action and whose hands are red with  
the blood of his chiefest."

"The senator says we were hasty at  
Vera Cruz because a German vessel  
was approaching laden with arms  
and munitions of war for Huerta and  
his army. I stand here to approve  
what was done. The president was  
taking the only means to enforce the  
ultimatum and make Huerta apolo-  
gize for what he had done."

Senator Stone moved to table the  
resolution. Senator Lippitt declared  
the newspapers gave senators their  
only information on the subject of  
Villa and his reported relations with  
this government and asked if Senator  
Stone would tell the senate what he  
knew on this subject.

"If Carranza and Villa care to pre-  
sente the war, they have declared on  
behalf of the United States. I don't  
believe it is the intention of the ad-  
ministration or of this congress and  
with few exceptions of the people of  
the United States to force war on  
them."

## SENATOR BRADLEY ALSO RAVES OVER TOLLS

Washington, May 6.—That all na-  
tions will know that the repeal of the  
Panama tolls exemption law will be  
done to purchase immunity for a con-  
tinuation of "watchful waiting in  
Mexico" was charged in the senate to-  
day by Senator Bradley of Kentucky,  
opposing the repeal bill.

"If the United States is lacking in  
influence or standing, today," said he,  
"it is not on account of the tolls ques-  
tion but because of its weak vacillat-  
ing and uncertain policy of 'watchful  
waiting' with Mexico. If we abandon  
our sovereignty over the canal to  
Great Britain, all other nations will  
know we are doing it with the purpose  
of purchasing immunity from a con-  
tinuation of our 'watchful waiting'  
policy under which we accomplished  
nothing and under which there can  
be no peace."

"I agree that the president has been  
accused by an honest endeavor to  
procure peace and a constitutional  
government in Mexico. The trouble,  
however, is that his ideas are too ex-  
alted to be realized. There is too  
much ignorance, too much of inat-  
tachable ambition, too much rapine, too  
much of outchery. You might as

## DEFINITE NEWS OF DISASTER TO STEAMER COLUMBIAN

Ship Caught Fire at Midnight  
Followed by Explosion  
Amidships Resulting in Total  
Wreck

## THIRTEEN RESCUED AFTER AWFUL NIGHT

Two Boats Still Adrift it is  
Believed. Many Steamers  
Hasten to the Rescue. Cause  
of Fire Unknown.

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Boston, May 6.—The Cunard line  
today received a report from Captain  
Miller of the Franconia regarding the  
rescue of a part of the crew of the  
steamer Colombian, which was burned  
at sea. The wireless message dated  
today was as follows:

"Received wireless from steamer  
Georgia at 11:24 a. m., May 4th: 'Semi-  
lina passed in 41:25 north, 59:07 west,  
a large steamer burning all over. High  
out of water, funnel gone, no  
people on board.'"

"At the same time came a wireless  
from State Island requesting me to  
endeavor to identify the steamer. At  
1:15 p. m. I received from the As-  
sociated Press, Boston: 'Great alarm  
over Semolina report of big ocean liner  
afire. Rescued by Franconia. Please  
send dispatch.' At 2:30 p. m. sighted  
a boat on starboard bow. The boat  
contained 12 men and a corpse lying  
awash in the bottom of the boat."

"The survivors had used trousers  
leg from corpse on end of boat hook  
for distress signal. Survivors were  
in a state of excitement, exhaustion  
and mental collapse. Some had been  
burned by fire. They had been adrift  
40 hours. Six men put under glass  
in hospital and others were given  
brandy and soup, bathed in hot water  
and put to bed. They immediately  
fell asleep. Little information ob-  
tained from them."

"The carpenter says the ship was  
the Colombian, sailing from Ant-  
werp, 12,000 tons registered. He was  
asleep and heard the alarm of fire  
and was coming along the deck when  
an explosion occurred amidships under  
his feet which blew him overboard.  
He was picked up by a boat."

"All agree the fire started at mid-  
night Sunday from a cause unknown.  
In half an hour the whole ship for-  
ward and amidships was in flames,  
with constant violent explosions. The  
wireless apparatus was wrecked."

"We are carrying to Boston body  
of chief steward, who was frightfully  
injured by explosion and died on  
Tuesday midday."

"After picking up the boat we made  
another detour, searching for other  
boats and deeply regret could not find  
them, but many other steamers had  
been to scene of disaster and true  
will rescue them. Have Macdonald  
all ships to look out for two missing  
boats."

## TODAY IN CONGRESS.

HOUSE.  
Met at noon.  
Miscellaneous bills on the cal-  
endar considered.

Secretary Lane, before public  
lands committee, advocated the  
Ferry bill regulating water power  
on public domain.

Judiciary subcommittee re-  
sumed hearing on impeachment  
charges against Justice Brandeis of  
the District of Columbia supreme  
court.

Secretary of War submitted re-  
quest for transfer of appropriation  
of \$25,500 for sanitary  
military posts and equipment of  
Panama canal zone.

War department adversely re-  
ported on proposed federal im-  
provement of Bayou St. John,  
Orleans parish, La.

## SENATE.

Met at noon.  
Debate on Panama canal ex-  
emption bill continued.

Continued discussion of agri-  
cultural appropriation bill.  
Senator Lippitt urged adoption  
of resolution asking President  
Wilson to explain reports that he  
would sustain General Villa.

## ABANDONED TUG IS SAVED FROM THE ICE

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Curling, N. F., May 6.—The United  
States naval tug Potomac, which was  
abandoned in the ice fields of the  
Gulf of St. Lawrence during the win-  
ter, was recovered today by an en-  
gineer, the United States consular  
agent and a party of Newfoundland-  
ers. It is expected the vessel will be  
brought to port safely.

Well try to establish a Sunday school  
in Haiti as real constitution govern-  
ment in Mexico by Mexicans.  
Senator Bradley declared that the  
president's message asking for the  
repeal was "nothing short of an in-  
sult to the members of congress who  
voted for the present law."

## WORKERS ARE WARNED TO LAY DOWN ARMS

Major Holbrook Through In-  
terpreters Tells Foreigners  
to Beware of Exciting Ir-  
ritation of Uncle Sam

## WARNS THEM ESPECIALLY AGAINST HIDING GUNS

Legislature Today Entertains  
Joint Resolution Asking  
Governor to Enlarge Scope  
of the Special Session

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Trinidad, Colo., May 6.—Earnestly  
pleading with a heterogeneous group  
of nationalists, only a small percent-  
age of whom could understand his  
sharply spoken English words, Major  
W. Holbrook of the Fifth United  
States cavalry, today urged 200  
striking men to lay down their arms  
and return to their homes.

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use of interesting figures and I have  
asked the mayor to see that all an-  
nouncements in this district are closed so that  
you men may always keep cool con-  
trol of your senses, and when you  
come to me to be in your right senses  
and not fired by intemperate.

"I have waited until now to address  
you because I realized it would be a  
difficult task to make you see the  
matter in the light in which we want  
you to see it. You could not have  
done so while struggling under the  
heat of what you called the injustice  
of the past two weeks. And I want  
to assure you again, that the arms  
which you give to the government  
will be kept by us, not given out  
again, until the United States govern-  
ment determines what disposition to  
make of them. Your union and you,  
each, will be given receipts for the  
arms and you will know what be-  
comes of them."

The strikers listened attentively,  
applauding now and then, and at the  
close of the talk Mr. Diamond divided  
the listeners into five groups, one for  
each of the predominating languages  
of the colony—Greek, Slavish, Ital-  
ian, Spanish and English. These went  
with their interpreters to discuss the  
proposition of giving up their arms.

At Starkville, five miles from Trin-  
idad, the same program later was  
carried out. Major Holbrook ad-  
dressed the men, explaining the power  
of the United States and the de-  
sires of President Wilson to have  
peace obtain in Colorado at once.

Long before the hour appointed for  
the resumption of the coroner's in-  
quest, the death of guards and  
strikers at the Forbes battle, crowds  
of strikers thronged the approaches  
to the coroner's office. Testimony as  
to the responsibility for the inception  
of the fight was to be given, and the  
jury was expected to place the blame  
for the deaths, with consequent rec-  
ommendations to the district attor-  
ney by the coroner. So far as actual  
violence in the strike district is con-  
cerned the situation could be accu-  
rately described by the remarks of  
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## MEDIATORS WILL WORK WITHOUT REBELS

Definitely Announced that no  
Further Advances will be  
Made to Carranza and Con-  
ference will Proceed.

## WILL MOVE TO CANADA THURSDAY, MAY 14th

United States has Made no  
Definite Move as Yet To-  
ward Naming Members of  
Conference

(By Leased Wire to Evening Herald.)  
Washington, May 6.—Mediation in  
the Mexican crisis will proceed with-  
out representation from the rebel  
forces in the revolution torn republic.  
This definite announcement was made  
today by one of the South American  
envoys after the mediators had con-  
ferred at the state department with  
Secretary Bryan.

That Carranza might change his  
mind and eventually come into the  
mediation conference which now will  
proceed on Canadian soil over the  
differences between the United States  
and the Huerta government was con-  
sidered doubtful by the diplomats.

"Carranza is a strong man and not  
likely to readily change his mind like  
a woman," was the characterization  
given the rebel chieftain by one of  
the envoys.

Secretary Bryan reiterated his  
statement that this government had  
not yet outlined any basis on which  
it would mediate and that thus far  
the United States merely had accept-  
ed the good offices of the South Amer-  
ican envoys. When the United States  
would name the delegates to advise  
with the mediators was not made  
known. The South American medi-  
ators, who are seeking an adjustment  
of the Mexican trouble, were per-  
fectly clear today for removal of  
the conference to Niagara Falls, Canada,  
on May 15.

Telegrams were sent to a leading  
hotel there, now closed, asking if its  
opening would be advanced so as to  
accommodate them. If this is ar-  
ranged the headquarters will be ex-  
tended there; otherwise at another  
hotel or private cottage, for which ne-  
gotiations are under way.

The mediators will leave here  
Thursday, May 14, to arrange preli-  
minaries for their opening sessions on  
the following Monday. The party,  
including secretaries, stenographers  
and other officials will number about  
15, not including the United States  
and Huerta delegates and those of  
Carranza.

The envoys continued their services  
today expecting to advance various  
branches of the work, pending the  
opening of the conference at Niagara  
Falls. Secretary Lane was an early  
caller at the Argentine legation, where  
the negotiations are proceeding. He  
would say nothing of his visit, but it  
was recalled that the president had  
consulted him and Secretary Bryan on  
phases of the mediation and the  
names of American delegates.

It was authoritatively stated by rep-  
resentatives that the mediators were  
trying to get Carranza to reconsider  
his attitude and come into the con-  
ference were not correct. Their position  
is that if Carranza comes back  
voluntarily, well and good; they will  
be glad to have the scope of media-  
tion thus enlarged.

Up to noon few dispatches had been  
received from Vera Cruz by the war  
and navy departments but General  
Funston earlier in the day had for-  
mally been authorized to extend his  
lines about Vera Cruz as far as he  
deemed it necessary to afford proper  
protection to the city. It was ex-  
plained that changes in the placing of  
the American troops would not in-  
clude any movement that could be  
considered as an advance from Vera  
Cruz.

General Funston reported that he  
had no definite information regarding  
concentration of Mexican forces ex-  
cept movements made to defend the  
railroad lines leading to Mexico City.

Persistent reports from Tampico of  
preparations for a decisive conflict  
between the rebels and federals at-  
tracted attention of the American of-  
ficers here and at Vera Cruz and re-  
ports from Mexico City continue to  
pour in from many sources that  
Huerta's position is growing worse.

In diplomatic circles, dispatches have  
been received stating that fear of an  
attack on Mexico City by General  
Zapata's forces causes considerable  
alarm. Huerta's hold on his soldiers,  
dispatches state, is weakening and  
possibility of opposition to the Zapata  
movement is declared is decreas-  
ing.

Admiral Howard reported today  
from the west coast of Mexico that  
"relations with the Mexican author-  
ities are more cordial than would be  
expected under conditions."

All ships of the American fleet, he

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